IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of JOSEPH HONEIN

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Prior Examiner: A. CHIN SHUE

For: COMPOSITE SCAFFOLDING PLANK AND METHOD OF FORMING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is presented prior to examination. Please enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Delete the paragraph on page 1 at lines 5 to 9 and insert the following:

This application is continuation USSN 09/537,606, filed 03/29/00 which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 09/320,221, filed 05/26/99, which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/739,799, filed 10/30/96, now abandoned and claims the benefit of 60/005,774, filed 10/31/95. ------

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (AMENDED) A composite scaffolding plank comprising:

a plurality of wooden boards each having a lengthwise direction, two opposing sides being flat and extending parallel to said lengthwise direction, each of said sides having a height, said height being the smallest dimension of said wooden boards;